

## House Resolution 1130

By: Representatives Drenner of the 86<sup>th</sup>, Henson of the 87<sup>th</sup>, Gardner of the 57<sup>th</sup>, Thomas of the 55<sup>th</sup>, and Ashe of the 56<sup>th</sup>

## A RESOLUTION

1 Commending Dr. Teresa Joyce; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, Dr. Teresa Joyce holds a bachelor's degree from Saint Bonaventure University  
3 and master's and Ph.D. degrees from the University of Pittsburgh; and

4 WHEREAS, after serving as a faculty member at Saint Bonaventure University, the  
5 University of Pittsburgh, and Emory University, Dr. Joyce joined Kennesaw State University  
6 in 1987 and currently serves as the Dean of Graduate Studies, overseeing 16 master's degree  
7 programs with 2,000 students; and

8 WHEREAS, she is the coauthor, with Ralph Kilmann, of *Corporate Transformation:  
9 Revitalizing Organizations for a Competitive World* (Jossey-Bass, 1990), and has authored  
10 or coauthored over 80 articles on the topics of organizational change, strategic planning, and  
11 human resource management; and

12 WHEREAS, she has been in the forefront of ongoing work to make Kennesaw State  
13 University a safe and accepting place for lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender (LGBT)  
14 students, faculty, and staff by establishing the Safe Space Program; and

15 WHEREAS, she also established the Safe Space Scholarship for undergraduate and graduate  
16 students actively involved in LGBT advocacy organizations and initiatives, has served as the  
17 faculty advisor for Kennesaw State's LGBT student organization, and is responsible for  
18 organizing and implementing Kennesaw State's annual LGBT Student and Organization  
19 Summit for university students and faculty across Georgia; and

20 WHEREAS, in recognition of her efforts, she received Kennesaw State's inaugural  
21 Administrator Diversity Leadership Award and was recently named a *YouthPride Hero*; and

1 WHEREAS, she has served on the boards of Enlight Atlanta, the Atlanta Executive Network,  
2 and the Victory Fund.

3 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
4 Dr. Teresa Joyce is commended for her scholarship, leadership, and advocacy.

5 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
6 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Dr. Teresa Joyce.